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1. Fabryka Wodomierzy, (Water Meter Factory) on Dlugosza Street 12 in Wroclaw officially manufactures water meters and agricultural machinery. The enterprise, however, is principally engaged in the production of fuses for artillery shells of 50 mm. caliber and above. The plant has a labor force of 1,500.
2. In addition to the water meter and agricultural machinery shops, the plant comprises the following departments:
  - a. Machine shop (Wydzial Mechaniczny)
  - b. Foundry (Wydzial Odlewniczny)
  - c. Galvanizing shop (Wydzial Galwanizacji)
  - d. Assembly shop (Wydzial Montazu)
  - e. Teteryl-charging shop (Wydzial Elaboracji Tetrylen)
3. Formerly, especially during the Korean War, the plant's monthly output totalled about 100,000 fuses, but recently production decreased to about 10,000 fuses per month. Many workers have been transferred to the plant's "overt" departments.
4. Although the plant was scheduled to start production of gun components for radar-operated artillery fire control, no practical steps for the implementation of this project have been taken to date. This failure is attributed to the shortage of experts in this field, the inefficacy of short training courses in the USSR, the international situation and the recent retrenchment in arms' expenditure.

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